

CAMS Manager Meeting Minutes

Name of group holding the meeting: CAMS Managers

Who called the meeting: Bob Bair

Date: 9/9/04

Time: 11:00

Place: Census Bureau

Attendees:

Bob Bair	(OFM)
Bill Starr	
Myrian Myer	
Patricia Jackson	
Teresa Coppelino	(NIST)
Wende Wiles	
Jon Alexander	
Ted Wolfgang	(NOAA)
Jim Aikman	(Census)
Cathy Ayooob	
Sandranette Moses	(EDA)

Agenda:

Next steps for assessing useful life of CAMS (follow-up items from conference)
Budget deconstruction - Other business system cost breakouts
CSTARS funding and plans
Bureau technology migration status
CSC plans for balance of FY and FY 2005 plans
Bureau activities

Key issues or topics addressed:

CAMS Useful Life Cycle: The CSC will bring in a technology consultant to assess CAMS code. Questions to be answered include:

- Can we make CAMS extendable?
- What will it take to keep the technology current?
- Are there any conversion issues or needs on the horizon?

The CAMS managers agreed that the CSC should take the lead on documenting the business case and collecting the cost/benefit information.

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CITRB Meeting: There will be a CITRB review of CAMS on September 29th. Jim Taylor will be inviting the CAMS Executive Board to attend. The review will cover the following areas:

- System Description
- DoC Goals and Initiatives
- Basis for Investment
- Project Management
- Risk Management
- IT Security
- Architectural Compliance
- Plans for Feeder Systems

Budget Deconstruction Effort: The CAMS portion of the budget deconstruction effort has been completed. Bureaus still need to break out the costs for other business systems. No deadline has yet been established for completing the other business systems cost deconstruction.

NOAA Cross-Servicing of EDA: NOAA and EDA are examining the feasibility of NOAA cross-servicing EDA by early FY 2006.

CSTARS/CAMS Interface: The CFO/ASA provided \$1.8 million for the CSTARS/CAMS interface. The total proposed cost is approximately \$2.5 million and this includes coding, testing, licensing, training, TIBCO licenses, bureau support, installation costs at bureaus, and 7 months of software maintenance. Key dates are:

- CACI products installed at CSC – 9/04
- ORSI demonstration – 11/04 (at November CAMS Managers meeting)
- Unit tested ORSI delivery – 12/04
- CACI Web Integrated software – 12/04
- Testing complete – 1/05
- Deliver code to bureaus/train – 03/04

Technology Migration:

Census – Census intended to upgrade the Production Data Warehouse to Oracle 9i at the same time as CFS, August 27th - 28th, but this was not possible due to continuing problems with the refresh process in our INTTDW (testing) instance since installing Batch 13.

Once the refresh process is successful, Census will need approximately one week to test both 9i and prior year transactions in Data Warehouse. A week will also give them sufficient time to ensure the automated refresh process is successful. Since this puts Census towards the end of September, upgrading our CAMSDW instance to 9i this fiscal year may be difficult since they will have to schedule downtime for users. Until they get

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the refresh to work successfully, they will not be able to commit to a release data for the upgrade of the Data Warehouse to 9i.

NOAA – Completed

NIST – Using workaround for data warehouse until CSC releases needed fixes. CSC expects to release fixes on 9/18/04.

EDA – Need to upgrade data warehouse. EDA will use workaround like NIST.

Central Contractor Registry: The CSC is completing testing of the code. The CSC is planning meetings with the bureaus. Bureau costs for the CCR, if they want to use CGE expertise, include:

- Set up environment/clean files - \$42K
- Set up production environment - \$17K

ITA Financial Systems Requirements: The CSC met with ITA to discuss their financial system requirements.

133 Report: Draft 133 report sent out. Comments are due 9/13/04.

Bureau Top 5 Priorities: The CSC is getting level of effort estimates for the top priorities. The CAMS Executive Board will be briefed on 9/21/04.

CSC Activities: The CSC is working on a large number of ARs, including some in the following areas:

- Fix for Accounts Receivable
- 9i Conversion
- 224
- Navigator Menu
- Technology Migration (GUI standards)
- RAU – Data issues
- BUD002 screen
- CRS

Data Warehouse: The CSC will start working sessions with the bureaus to discuss how to incorporate NOAA and NIST data warehouse capabilities into the CSC-supported data warehouse.

JFMIP: The CAMS Executive Board will be briefed on the results of the JFMIP test on 9/21/04. A draft report is due 01/18/04 and a final report will be issued by the end of October 2004.

10/15/04 Maintenance Release: The CSC will send out a list of ARs in the October maintenance release.

Mercury Testing Tool: The CSC will set up a working group to discuss opportunities for sharing scripts.

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Action Items

1. Bill Starr will send out Bob Bair's conference presentation files.
2. Amy Sommerville will send out a list of ARs in the next maintenance release.
3. John Sansing will set up a working group to discuss sharing test scripts.

Dates of Next CAMS Manager Meetings will be:

October 13th – NOAA

November 10th – CSC – Demonstration of CSTARS interface

December 9th - EDA